

# YAVAPAI COLLEGE

## ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE – NURSING

### APPLICANT INFORMATION GUIDE for AAS – NURSING and LPN – RN ADVANCE PLACEMENT

*Refer to the website for the timeframes for when applications  
will be available.*



#### Nursing Program

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## INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Yavapai College AAS Nursing Program. The information guide is designed as a reference guide for students who intend to apply for the program. All Yavapai College Health Science Programs are committed to quality healthcare, quality education, and the standards of the discipline.

The program is comprehensive and aligned with the industry's highest standards, providing students with the knowledge and skills needed for a successful career in nursing. The curriculum is designed in accordance with the accreditation standards set forth by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing and the Arizona State Board of Nursing.

## NURSING

Registered Nurses (RNs), regardless of specialty or work setting, treat patients, educate patients and the public about various medical conditions, and provide advice and emotional support to patients' family members. RNs record patients' medical histories and symptoms, help perform diagnostic tests and analyze results, operate medical machinery, administer treatment and medications, and help with patient follow-up and rehabilitation.

## EMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK

According to the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), Registered Nurses (RNs) will continue to be in demand, and job opportunities are expected to be favorable. There is a need to attract and retain qualified workers to replace those who will transfer to different occupations or retire over the coming decade. Employment of registered nurses is projected to grow six percent (6%) from 2022 to 2032, faster than the average for all occupations. Growth will occur for numerous reasons, including an increased emphasis on preventive care, growing rates of chronic conditions, such as diabetes and obesity; more admission to long-term care facilities and outpatient care centers; and a greater need for home healthcare. Growth is expected to be faster than average in outpatient care centers where patients do not stay overnight. In addition, because many older people prefer to be treated at home or in residential care facilities, registered nurses will be in demand in those settings.<sup>1</sup>

Students often receive offers for employment from the same health care organizations where they completed their clinical rotations. In Arizona, entry-level salaries range from about \$24.00-\$36.00 per hour or more, depending on the type of practice, benefits, and other considerations. In 2023, the average hourly wage was \$41.38/hour.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, *Occupational Outlook Handbook*, Registered Nurses, retrieved from: <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/registered-nurses.htm> (visited June 17, 2024).

## MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Yavapai College School of Health & Wellness is to provide quality education that will develop competent, caring, holistic and ethical practitioners who value lifelong learning and adapt to continuous changes in the health care system.

In accordance with the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, the mission statement is reviewed on a regular basis. Documentation is reflected in the Nursing Department meeting minutes and the minutes of various committee and faculty forums.

## PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

*Nursing students who graduate from the program can and will demonstrate:*

1. *Patient-Centered Care:* Integrate the patient or designee as the source of control and full partner in providing compassionate and coordinated care based on respect for patient preferences, values, and needs.
2. *Teamwork and Collaboration:* Manage effectively within nursing and inter-professional teams, fostering open communication, mutual respect, and shared decision-making to achieve quality patient care.
3. *Evidenced-Based Practice:* Analyze best current evidence with clinical expertise and patient/family preferences and values for delivery of optimal health.
4. *Quality Improvement:* Analyze data to monitor the outcomes of care processes and use improvement methods to design and test changes to continuously improve the quality and safety of health care systems.
5. *Safety:* Integrate strategies to minimize the risk of harm to patients and providers through both system effectiveness and individual performance.
6. *Informatics:* Integrate strategies to minimize the risk of harm to patients and providers through both system effectiveness and individual performance.



## PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

The **Associate of Applied Science Degree in Nursing** is a 24-month program (four sequential semesters excluding summers) that prepares students for entry-level positions as registered nurses. The program starts twice per year: in the fall semester and again in the spring semester. Students must complete 28 credit hours of pre-requisite and co-requisite courses, and 40.5 credits of Nursing Program core courses.

Prior to program application, the applicant must have current Arizona certification as a CNA, current Arizona LNA license with expiration date, or have successfully completed AHS 114 (or equivalent) within the last three years of the application deadline. Approved equivalent training courses are 120 hours or longer. A list of qualifying programs can be found on the AZBN website (<https://www.azbn.gov/education/nursing-programs-lists>). Current LPN licensure also meets this requirement. Applicants who have successfully completed equivalent training courses from other states will need to show documented proof of the number of hours of training completed.

The **Licensed Practical Nurse to Registered Nurse Advanced Placement (LPN-RN AP)** program is a 12-month program (two sequential semesters excluding summers) that prepares students for entry-level positions as registered nurses. The program starts twice per year: in the fall semester and again in the spring semester. Students must complete all AAS prerequisites (28 credit hours) and 19.5 credits of Nursing Program core courses (courses in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the program; begins in third semester) to earn their AAS degree. Credit for prior learning is given for an LPN license.

The **LPN Step-out option** is available to students who successfully complete the first year of the AAS program. After successful completion of LPN 190 – Practical Nursing Transition (1.5 credits), students have the option to apply for licensure with the Arizona Board of Nursing as Practical Nurse (LPN) and are eligible to take the NCLEX-PN exam.

These programs are designed around a model of classroom and laboratory instruction integrated with hands-on experience in a clinical setting that provides a thorough educational foundation and professional preparation to enter the workforce as an independent practitioner upon graduation.

The Nursing Program is rigorous and involves a **full-time** commitment of 40 hours or more per week. In addition to classroom presentations, there are activities in campus nursing labs, clinical agencies, and discussion groups. Homework, multimedia, and out-of-class assignments are also required. Students must maintain a minimum grade of 78% in all nursing courses and a minimum

of 2.0 GPA in all General Education courses to remain in the program. Students must be prepared to meet the challenge and establish priorities prior to the start of classes.

Students are responsible for remaining compliant with all mandated immunizations and must adhere to all deadline requirements as outlined in this Nursing Applicant Information Guide.

Graduates of the program are eligible to:

1. Receive an AAS degree in Nursing
2. Sit for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN)
3. Apply for licensure to practice nursing (Registered Nurse)

Yavapai College now offers a **Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN-BSN) program**. The RN-BSN degree prepares nurse leaders by building on prior knowledge and experience to address the healthcare needs of the community. Candidates must possess an unencumbered license as a Registered Nurse (RN) in the state of Arizona and have successfully completed an associate degree nursing program at a regionally accredited institution validated by transcript(s).

The program can be completed in 12-months (three consecutive semesters including the summer semester) and is 100% online. The RN-BSN degree requires completion of a minimum of 120 credits, so in some cases, electives may be necessary. If so, the nursing program strongly recommends LDR 201, 202, and 203 to earn a certificate in Strategic Leadership for professional growth and career advancement.

## ACCREDITATION

The curriculum is designed in accordance with the accreditation standards set forth by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing and the Arizona State Board of Nursing. The program is designed around a model of classroom and laboratory instruction integrated with hands-on experience in a clinical setting that provides a thorough educational foundation and professional preparation to enter the workforce as an independent practitioner upon graduation.

The program is approved by Arizona State Board of Nursing with continuing accreditation by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing:

Arizona State Board of Nursing  
1740 W Adams Street, Suite 2000  
Phoenix, AZ 85007  
(602) 771-7800  
[azbn.gov](http://azbn.gov)



Accreditation Commission for  
Education in Nursing (ACEN)  
3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400  
Atlanta, Georgia 30326  
(404) 975-5000  
[acenursing.org](http://acenursing.org)



## LICENSURE

Graduation from the Yavapai College Associate Degree Nursing Program is not the sole criteria for obtaining a license to practice nursing in Arizona. Licensing requirements are the exclusive responsibility of the Arizona State Board of Nursing (Nursing Practice Act A.R.S. Sections 32-1632. <https://www.azleg.gov/viewdocument/?docName=https://www.azleg.gov/ars/32/01632.htm>), and students must satisfy those requirements independently of their satisfaction of any requirements for graduation from Yavapai College.

The Arizona State Board of Nursing will deny licensure if the applicant has one or more felony convictions that have not previously been disclosed to the Board and has not received an absolute discharge from the sentences for all felony convictions three or more years prior to the date of filing an application. If this information applies to you, your application will not be processed, and denial of your application will be instituted by the Board of Nursing.

## ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN NURSING (Curriculum Plan for 2024 - 2025)

Math and science coursework must be completed within the last ten years. Course work transferred from other colleges must be evaluated for equivalency. Courses in each semester are prerequisites to the next semester. Deviation from this plan requires written advance approval by the Nursing Program Director. Pre-requisite courses must be completed or in progress to be eligible to apply for the next nursing cohort group. A student who does not successfully complete all the pre-requisite and co-requisite courses by the end of a program semester, as outlined below, will not be allowed to continue into the next nursing semester or course.

Please refer to the [Yavapai College Catalog](#) for the most recent progression plans for the appropriate catalog year.



**Note:** Pre-entry requirements must be complete or in progress in order to apply to the Nursing Program. To prepare to apply to the AAS Nursing Program, it is recommended that students begin in the Associate of Arts (Nursing Intent) degree program and work closely with an academic advisor to ensure timely and on-track progression for application submission.

Pre-program entry requirement	Pre-Requisites	Credits
Current Arizona certification as a CNA, LNA <b>OR</b> AHS 114   AHS 114C   AHS 114 L <b>or</b> equivalent within the last three years of the application deadline.		<b>6</b>
<b>Fall Term 1      10 credit hours</b>		
ENG 101      College Composition I (or ENG 101A or ENG 103)	ENG 095/100 <b>OR</b> placement	3
MAT 141      College Math (or MAT 142)	MAT 092 <b>OR</b> placement	3
BIO 156      Human Biology for Allied Health <b>OR</b> BIO 181      General Biology I	Reading proficiency	4
<b>Spring Term 1      14 credit hours</b>		
ENG 102      College Composition II (or ENG 104)	ENG 101 OR consent	3
PSY 101      Introduction to Psychology <b>OR</b>	None	
PHI 204      Medical Ethics	ENG101 or ENG103	3
BIO 201      Human Anatomy & Physiology I	BIO156 <b>OR</b> BIO181	4
BIO 205      Microbiology (recommended to take this course prior to admission)	BIO100 or BIO156 or BIO181	4
<b>Summer Term 2      4-7 credit hours</b>		
BIO 202      Human Anatomy & Physiology II	BIO 201	4
MAT 167      Elementary Statistics (required for RN-BSN program)	MAT 141, MAT 142, MAT 152	3
<b>Total Pre-Requisite Credits</b>		<b>34-37</b>

The following elective courses are recommended if seeking full-time enrollment in the Associate of Arts, Nursing Intent in any semester:

- PSY 245 - Human Growth and Development – 3 credits – No prerequisite
  - PSY/SOC 230 Intro to Statistics in the Social and Behavioral Sciences – 3 credits
- OR MAT 167 - Elementary Statistics – 3 credits

Prerequisites: MAT 141, MAT 142, MAT 152 or satisfactory score on mathematics skills assessment.

- SPA 101 - Beginning Spanish I – 4 credits – Prerequisite: Reading Proficiency



Semester 1 Fall Term 1		10 credit hours	Prerequisite: Admission to nursing program	
NSG 140	Nursing Theory I		Corequisite: NSG 142, NSG 143, N 144, and NSG 145	4
<b>1<sup>st</sup> 8 weeks</b>				
NSG 145	Pharmacology for Nursing I (8-week course)		Corequisite: NSG 140, NSG 142, NSG 143, NSG 144,	1
NSG 143	Development of Nursing Practice I (8-week course)		Corequisite: NSG 140 NSG 142, NSG 144, NSG 145	2
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> 8 weeks</b>				
NSG 144	Mental Health Nursing Theory I (8-week course)		Corequisite: NSG 140, NSG 142, NSG 143, NSG 145	1
NSG 142	Application of Nursing Theory I (8-week course)		Corequisite: NSG 140, NSG 143, NSG 144, NSG 145	2
<b>Total Semester Credits</b>				<b>10</b>

Semester 2 Spring Term 1		15 credit hours	Prerequisites: NSG 140, NSG 142, NSG 143, NSG 144, NSG 145	
NSG 151	Nursing Theory II		Corequisite: NSG 152, NSG 153, NSG 154 , NSG 155, BIO 205	3
NSG 154	Maternal/Child Nursing Theory		Corequisite: NSG 151, NSG 152, NSG 153, NSG 155, BIO 205	2
NSG 155	Pharmacology for Nursing II		Corequisite: NSG 151, NSG 152, NSG 153, NSG 154, and BIO 205	2
*BIO 205	Microbiology (*co-requisite course)		BIO 100 or BIO 156 or BIO 181	4
<b>1<sup>st</sup> 8 weeks</b>				
NSG 153	Development of Nursing Practice II (8-week course)		Corequisite: NSG 151, NSG 152, NSG 154, NSG 155, and BIO 205	2
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> 8 weeks</b>				
NSG 152	Application of Nursing Theory II (8-week course)		Corequisite: NSG 151, NSG 153, NSG 154, NSG 155, and BIO 205	2
<b>Total Semester Credits</b>				<b>15</b>



Semester 3 Fall Term 2		10 credit hours	Prerequisites: NSG 151, NSG 152, NSG 153, NSG 155, BIO 205	
NSG 241	Nursing Theory III		Corequisite: NSG 242, NSG 260	5
NSG 242	Application of Nursing Theory III		Corequisite: NSG 241, NSG 260	3
NSG 260	Mental Health Nursing Theory II		Corequisite: NSG 241, NSG 242	2
<b>Total Semester Credits</b>				<b>10</b>

Semester 4 Spring Term 2		9.5 credit hours	Prerequisites: NSG 241, NSG 242, NSG 260	
NSG 270	Nursing Theory IV		Corequisite: NSG 272, NSG 280	3
<b>1<sup>st</sup> 8 weeks</b>				
NSG 280	Professional Nursing Concepts (8-week course)		Corequisite: NSG 270, NSG 272	2
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> 8 weeks</b>				
NSG 272	Application of Nursing Theory IV (8-week course)		Corequisite: NSG 270, NSG 280	4.5
<b>Total Semester Credits</b>				<b>9.5</b>

*\*Denotes a Program General Education Requirement – it is recommended that you consider completing this course prior to admission to the Program.*

**NOTE: LPN – RN Advanced Placement applicants:**

**Prior to program application**, the applicant must have an unencumbered LPN license. Applicants who have successfully completed equivalent training courses from other states must show documented proof of the number of hours of training completed. Applicants licensed as Vocational Nurses (LVN) must be eligible for licensure as an LPN in the state of Arizona. Additionally, all nursing prerequisite courses, except AHS 114 but including BIO205, must be completed to apply.

**Prior Learning Credit:** The LPN candidate will enter the nursing program beginning in the 3rd semester, with prior learning credit awarded for the following core nursing courses: NSG 140, NSG142, NSG143, NSG 144, NSG145, NSG151, NSG152, NSG 153, NSG 154, NSG155

## LOCATIONS

### Locations Offered: Prescott and Verde Valley Campuses

Once a campus has been assigned to and accepted by a student, it should be assumed that no transfer will be offered.

Students may be required to travel to either of the Yavapai College Nursing Program campuses for selected experiences. All students are required to provide their own transportation to off-campus clinical activities



Prescott Campus:  
Classrooms, Labs



Verde Valley Campus:  
Classrooms, Labs, Simulation Center

## TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS

The lecture component of nursing classes is taught on campus, with the exception of NSG 280 Professional Nursing Concepts. NSG 280 combines classroom-based meetings and/or virtual classroom meetings with additional online activities. Students will need a computer with reliable Internet access, web camera and a microphone. The library offers laptops and 5G hotspots on loan to current students..

## CONFIDENTIALITY OF STUDENT RECORDS

The Nursing Program maintains a file for each applicant and student. The file contains documentation related to admission and progression in the program. See the Yavapai College General Catalog for information regarding Student Record Disclosure and compliance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 ([FERPA](#)).

## ARTICULATION AND TRANSFER

Students who graduate from the Associate Degree Nursing Program at Yavapai College have the opportunity to transfer into the baccalaureate (Bachelors) program at many four-year colleges and universities, including Yavapai College's RN-BSN degree. Graduates from YC are automatically accepted into the RN-BSN program pending successful completion of the NCLEX-RN exam and verification of licensure. Students should contact the Nursing Department and an advisor at the institution of higher learning for further information.

Students intending to transfer courses toward a baccalaureate degree in nursing should consult the catalog of the school to which they plan to transfer. If you would like assistance in selecting equivalent courses, please see an academic advisor. There may be additional courses required by the four-year institution prior to acceptance into a CEP or RN to BSN program of study.

## ADVISING

Students seeking admission to the Nursing Program must see an academic advisor to confirm completion of all pre-entry courses, and to review all transcripts after they have been evaluated. Transcripts must be **official** transcripts sent directly from your previous institution(s) to the Yavapai College Registrar. You may contact Admission at 928-717-7777 or email [ycadmission@yc.edu](mailto:ycadmission@yc.edu) if you have any questions.

## STUDENT FEES, TUITION, AND FINANCIAL AID

Current 2024-2025 [tuition and fees](#) are identified in the Yavapai College Schedule of Classes.

Financial aid may be available to you. Please contact the financial aid office to obtain more information: <https://www.yc.edu/v6/financial-aid/> Email: [financial.aid@yc.edu](mailto:financial.aid@yc.edu) PH: 928-776-2152.

**Estimated Cost for the Nursing Program for 2024-2025  
(Based upon Arizona Resident Student Status)**

Pre-Requisite & Co-Requisite Tuition cost includes pre-program entry AHS114 \$108 per credit x 15 credits (standard tuition) \$125 per credit x 16 credits (science/BIO courses) \$139 per credit x 6 credits (CNA courses)		\$4,454.00
	\$1,620	
	\$2,000	
	\$834	
Program Tuition \$193 per credit x 44.5 credits (courses with NSG prefix)		\$8,589.00
Textbooks (eBook bundle) + APA and Drug Guide (printed texts & recommended materials for additional cost)	1 <sup>st</sup> year	*\$673.00
	2 <sup>nd</sup> year	*\$150.00
<i>OER resources will be utilized for various Nursing Program courses.</i>		
Other Required Clinical Items myClinicalExchange \$20 - \$25 per semester		\$75.00
Background Check, Drug Test, and Immunization Tracker (CastleBranch.com)		\$143.50
Uniforms and shoes	Varies by vendor	\$200.00
Physical Exam and Immunizations	Varies by provider	\$350.00
CPR (NOTE: Only AHA BLS accepted)	Varies by provider	\$58.00
Fingerprinting Fees (AZDPS)	Subject to change	\$74.95
Transportation	Varies by clinical site	\$750.00
Nursing Pin (at time of Program completion)	Gold Pin	\$100.00
	Silver Pin	\$70.00
RN licensure fees (due in the fourth semester)		\$525.00
RN – BSN Tuition Costs		\$8,845.00
LPN – RN Advanced Placement Tuition Costs		\$3,763.00
LPN Step-out Tuition costs		\$4,150.00

This information is provided to give students, parents and advisors an approximate cost of the program. The actual costs may be higher or lower. Tuition and other fees may change at the Governing Board's discretion while this document is in effect. In addition, the Nursing program may have cause to increase fees. Please make sure that you take on the responsibility of knowing tuition and fee schedules as they pertain to you.

## ZERO TOLERANCE GUIDELINES

The Yavapai College Nursing Program supports a Zero Tolerance Policy. Any Nursing Program student engaging in the following behaviors is subject to immediate dismissal from classes and disciplinary action as described in the Yavapai College Student Handbook, the Yavapai College Nursing Student Handbook, and the Yavapai College Code of Student Conduct.

1. Intentionally or recklessly causing physical harm to any person on the campus or at a clinical site, or intentionally or recklessly causing reasonable apprehension of such harm.
2. Unauthorized use or possession of any weapon or explosive device on the campus or at a clinical site.
3. Unauthorized use, distribution, or possession of any controlled substances or illegal drug for any purpose (i.e., distribution, personal use) on campus, or YC dedicated learning spaces, or at a clinical site.
4. Any misconduct covered by the Yavapai College Student Code of Conduct.

## HEALTH DECLARATION

It is essential that nursing students be able to perform a variety of patient care activities without restrictions in the clinical portion of the program (see the technical standards of the nursing program in the next section). At a minimum, students will be required to lift and/or reposition patients, have physical capacity sufficient to complete assigned periods of clinical practice, and perform gross and fine motor skills essential to providing safe patient care. Students will be required to transport patients on gurneys and in wheelchairs, move heavy equipment throughout the clinical site, and must be physically capable of performing CPR in an emergency situation. Students will encounter situations requiring them to lift and manipulate weight greater than 50 pounds. It is advisable that students consult with their physicians prior to the start of this program and determine their ability to perform the necessary job requirements. Students who have medical impairments must be capable of implementing safe, direct patient care, while maintaining their current treatment plan or medication regimen.

The clinical experiences also place students under considerable mental and emotional stress as they undertake responsibilities and duties impacting patients' lives. Students must be able to demonstrate rational and appropriate behavior under stressful conditions. Individuals should give careful consideration to the mental and physical demands of the program.

A healthcare provider must sign the **Health Care Provider Signature Form** stating that these conditions can be met. The completed form is submitted upon conditional acceptance to the Nursing Program.

***Health care providers who qualify to sign the declaration include a licensed physician (M.D., D.O., N.D.), nurse practitioner, or a physician's assistant. Their medical license number must be included on the form along with date the physical examination was performed. The physical examination date must not exceed six months from conditional acceptance to the Nursing Program. Please also note that a doctor's release may be required to enter or continue in the program as illness or injuries occur.***

## TECHNICAL STANDARDS OF THE NURSING PROGRAM AT YAVAPAI COLLEGE

Certain functional abilities are essential for the delivery of safe, effective nursing care. These abilities are essential in the sense that they constitute core components of nursing practice, and there is a high probability that negative consequences will result for patients/clients under the care of nurses who fail to demonstrate these abilities. A program preparing students for the practice of nursing must attend to these essential functional abilities in the education and evaluation of its students.

This statement of the Technical Standards of the Nursing Program at Yavapai College identifies the functional abilities deemed by the nursing faculty to be essential to the practice of nursing. Reference material used in the development of these standards include the Arizona Nurse Practice Act, The Functional Abilities Essential for the Delivery of Safe, Effective Nursing Care (a descriptive research study conducted by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing), and Core Components and Competencies of ADN graduates (developed by the Council of Associate Degree Nursing of the National League for Nursing). The Technical Standards are reflected in the Nursing Program's performance-based outcomes, which are the basis for teaching and evaluating all nursing students.

Students with disabilities who may require accommodation in meeting the Technical Standards of the Nursing Program should contact the Office of Disability Resources to discuss the process of identifying reasonable accommodations. <https://www.yc.edu/v6/disability-resources/>

Students should seek accommodation evaluation as soon as possible so that a plan for

reasonable accommodation can be in place at the beginning of the program. Applicants seeking admission to the Nursing Program who may have questions about the Technical Standards and appropriate reasonable accommodation are invited to discuss their questions with the Disability Resources office. Reasonable accommodation will be directed toward providing an equal educational opportunity for students with disabilities while adhering to the standards of nursing practice for all students. Registration with Disability Resources is required before any accommodation requests can be granted. Under no circumstances will any course requirements or technical standards be waived for any student, with or without a disability.

The practice of nursing requires the following functional abilities with or without reasonable accommodation. (See the complete table in the [Nursing Program Student Handbook](#) located on the Nursing website for examples of the relevant activities).

**Motor abilities:**

- Strength and mobility sufficient to perform patient care activities and emergency procedures.
- Demonstrate fine motor skills sufficient for providing safe nursing care.
- Endurance sufficient to complete assigned periods of clinical practice

**Observation/Perceptual/Sensory Abilities:**

- Sensory/Perceptual abilities to monitor and assess clients.

**Behavioral/Interpersonal/Emotional Abilities:**

- Ability to relate to colleagues, staff and patients with honesty, civility, integrity and nondiscrimination.
- Capacity for development of mature, sensitive and effective therapeutic relationships.
- Interpersonal abilities sufficient for interaction with individuals, families, and groups from various social, emotional, cultural, and intellectual backgrounds.
- Emotional stability and endurance sufficient to function effectively under stress in acute health care situations.
- Ability to work as a part of a team and to respond appropriately to supervision, to adapt to changing situations, to respond appropriately to patients and families under stress, and to follow through on assigned patient care responsibilities.
- Capacity to demonstrate ethical behavior, including adherence to the professional nursing and student honor codes

**Ability to maintain a safe environment for patients, families, and coworkers:**

- Ability to accurately identify patients.
- Ability to effectively communicate with other caregivers.
- Ability to administer medications safely and accurately.
- Ability to operate equipment safely in the clinical area.
- Ability to recognize and minimize hazards that could increase healthcare-associated infections.
- Ability to recognize and minimize accident hazards in the clinical environment, including hazards that contribute to patient, family, and co-worker falls.

**Communication Abilities:**

- Ability to communicate effectively in English using verbal, non-verbal, and written formats at a level that meets the need for accurate, clear, and effective communication.
- Ability to read and comprehend English and to interpret without assistance.
- Ability to effectively communicate professionally and civilly to the healthcare team, including peers, instructors, and preceptors.

**Intellectual/Conceptual/Quantitative Abilities:**

- Ability to read and understand written documents in English and solve problems involving measurement, calculation, reasoning, analysis, and synthesis.
- Cognitive ability to collect, analyze, and integrate information and knowledge to make clinical judgments and manage decisions that promote positive patient outcomes.
- Ability to comprehend three-dimensional and spatial relationships.
- Ability to react effectively in an emergency situation.

**Punctuality/Work Habits:**

- Abilities sufficient to demonstrate competencies such as the ability to arrive at a clinical on a timely basis, to meet demands for timely performance of duties, to meet organizational requirements, and to perform these duties in a professional and competent manner.

**Environment:**

- Recognize the personal risk environments needed to provide patient care
- Tolerate exposure to allergens (latex, chemical, etc.)
- Tolerate wearing protective equipment (e.g. mask, gown, gloves)

## **Immunizations and Documentation Required for the Nursing Program**

Immunizations are required by clinical agencies with which Yavapai College has an affiliation. Yavapai College has no control over a clinical agency's health standards and requirements for students participating in clinical learning experiences. Clinical learning experiences in facilities/agencies is a requirement of the nursing program for all nursing students. Please be aware that some clinical agencies have a minimum age requirement of 18 for clinical participants. All student clinical placements are final.

Students are responsible for remaining in compliance with all mandated immunizations and must adhere to all deadline requirements. Copies of immunization records and updated immunization documentation must be submitted to Castle Branch ([castlebranch.com](http://castlebranch.com)) **after** admission to the Nursing Program for the student files as required by the Department in order to remain and continue in the program.



Students who have upcoming expirations for TB and CPR that will occur during the semester must renew the requirement prior to program start. It may be necessary to contact Castle Branch to request a re-set to the expiration date in order to upload renewal documentation.

Students must comply with agency-specific deadlines for flu vaccinations. Generally, the annual influenza vaccination is due in the fall no later than October 1. Some clinical agencies require the flu vaccine as early as August. Students who begin the Nursing Program in spring should already be in compliance with the current flu season immunization upon conditional acceptance to the program.

In addition, beginning in the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester and continuing throughout the 4<sup>th</sup> semester, students will need to maintain compliance in myClinicalExchange to demonstrate health requirement compliance and documentation for our clinical agency partners.

For program compliance, students are responsible for keeping their fingerprint clearance, CPR, and health care requirement documentation current through the entire duration of Nursing Program enrollment and/or graduation. To remain in Nursing Program theory and clinical courses, all required documentation needs to be entered and current in Castle Branch in addition to being approved by the clinical agency, clinical coordinator and/or course instructor 30 days prior to the start date of the clinical rotation. If the student is not compliant with these policies, the student will not be able to attend clinical and will be administratively withdrawn from their current nursing course(s) by the Director of Nursing.

Incoming students are required to meet the program compliance dates provided in the Nursing Program acceptance packet. If a student does not meet the deadlines as identified on the forms provided in the acceptance packet, the student's Nursing Program acceptance will be administratively withdrawn by the Nursing Program Director.

### **COVID-19 VACCINATION**

Students participating at a healthcare institution licensed under A.R.S. Title 36 which includes hospitals, nursing care institutions, residential care institutions, intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities (ICF-IID), group homes, or other medical facilities may be required to provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination and subject to regular health screening and testing as determined by the healthcare institutions.

As part of our affiliation agreements with healthcare institutions, Yavapai College is required to provide healthcare facilities/agencies with pertinent healthcare documentation upon their request and would obtain the documentation from Castle Branch and/or My Clinical Exchange.

It is important to understand that while Yavapai College does not require or mandate COVID-19 vaccinations or testing, our healthcare facility/agency partners have the right to do so and are the decision makers on whether a student will be allowed to take part in clinical learning placements at their facility/agency.

Students registering for courses or programs with clinical requirements may not be able to complete the course/program without proof of COVID-19 vaccination and/or regular health screenings and testing as determined by the healthcare facility/agency.

*\*Please be aware that in order for a clinical agency to accept students, the student must meet all requirements of the clinical agency. The requirements include providing proof of full vaccination against COVID-19. Please note you are not considered fully vaccinated until 2 weeks after the second dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna or Novavax COVID-19 vaccine. You should understand that as a student if you are not fully vaccinated by the time clinical begins, and/or the site does not accept a vaccination exemption, you will not successfully complete the required clinical hours and will not be able to progress in the program.*

**For more information regarding the COVID-19 Vaccine visit the [CDC website](#).**

## HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

All immunization records must include your name, date, and name and signature of healthcare provider giving the immunization.

- 1. MMR (Measles, Mumps, and Rubella):** Adults entering health care professions must have documented proof of immunity (**positive titer**) or **proof of two MMR's**. A positive titer needs to be positive for Measles, Mumps, and Rubella. Additional immunization is generally required when titer results are not positive for each- plan accordingly. Persons born prior to 1957 may be considered immune.
- 2. Varicella (Chicken Pox):** Documented proof of immunity or two varicella immunizations are required upon conditional acceptance of the student into the Nursing Program. If the student has had chickenpox, a positive titer is necessary to document immunity.
- 3. Hepatitis B:** Documented evidence of completed vaccination series or positive titer. Complete documentation is submitted to Castle Branch upon conditional acceptance to the Program. *If beginning a 3-dose vaccination series, allow for six months prior to nursing application submission for completion.*

4. **Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis):** A vaccination is required every ten (10) years. It is the responsibility of the student to maintain a record of a Tdap vaccination of less than ten (10) years throughout the duration of the Nursing Program.
5. **Influenza:** Annual vaccination is required. It is the responsibility of the student to receive an annual vaccination and have proof submitted to Castle Branch by agency-specific due dates. If allowed for and provided for by the clinical agency, you may submit a waiver for medical reasons signed by a healthcare physician/provider or a religious exemption per the clinical agency policies and requirements.
6. **Tuberculosis: Incoming students** must provide one of the following: an initial 2 step TB Skin Test, or a T-spot or QuantiFERON Gold Blood test. If results are positive, a chest x-ray with an annual statement signed by a health professional that student does not have active tuberculosis must be provided. A one step TB Skin Test will be acceptable for renewal documentation only.  
**TB Renewal:** Negative skin test or blood test (annually) or chest x-ray (valid for two years) with an annual statement signed by a health professional that student does not have active tuberculosis. It is the responsibility of the student to maintain annual screenings. Documentation is to be renewed prior to semester start if the expiration date occurs while a semester is in progress.
7. **COVID-19 Vaccine:** Complete Vaccine series. One of the following is required:
  - a. Documentation of your COVID-19 vaccination(s). If you receive the 2-dose vaccine series, both doses must be submitted at the same time for approval. Documentation must include the vaccine manufacturer and date.
  - b. If allowed for and provided for by the clinical agency, you may submit a waiver for medical reasons signed by a healthcare physician/provider, or a religious exemption per the clinical agency policies and requirements.
  - c. Covid Booster/Updated Vaccines: Documentation may be submitted to Castle Branch once immunization is received.
8. **Health Insurance:** Nursing students are now required to provide proof of health insurance before starting clinical at their site locations. The purpose of this requirement is to provide insurance protection in the event of accident or injury. If a student is unable to secure health insurance coverage prior to their clinical experience, they will be unable to attend clinical, which will delay or disrupt degree progression.

**Upload the front and back of your health insurance card to your Castle Branch account.**

If you have health coverage under a parent or spouse and your name does not appear on the insurance card, you **must submit proof of coverage by either a letter or document showing that you are covered.**

**Items on the document that must be present:**

- primary policy holder,
- name of insurance with number
- name of student that is covered.

**Military: the military ID is not accepted as verification of health insurance coverage. You must submit documentation from the carrier from which you have insurance coverage.**

If you do not have health insurance coverage you may be able to apply through the Health Insurance Marketplace. You may visit <https://www.healthcare.gov/> to see cost of individual and family plans. You may also work with a licensed agent/broker in Arizona by going to: [www.coveraz.org](http://www.coveraz.org) or calling (800) 377-3536.

Local help is available to find a plan; as a student, you may meet the income requirements for Medicaid (AHCCCS) coverage. If you need to apply for Medicaid, please do so as soon as possible; processing time can be a minimum of 2 weeks or more. Students may contact YC's Strong Foundations Office to receive application assistance for AHCCCS. Click the link to schedule an in-person or virtual appointment with [Strong Foundations](#).

## **9. CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR) CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT**

BLS (Basic Life Support) certification for Health Care Providers must be current for the entire Nursing Program. CPR certification status is reported annually while students are enrolled in the program. The Nursing Program will only accept BLS Provider certification (CPR & AED) through American Heart Association (AHA). An in-person course or a course with an in-person check-off is required. A student without current documented BLS Provider certification (CPR & AED) will be dismissed from their clinical rotation and/or the Nursing Program. It is the responsibility of the student to maintain current certification and submit renewal documentation to Castle Branch according to Nursing Program guidelines. Documentation is to be renewed prior to semester start if the expiration date occurs while a semester is in progress.

## FINGERPRINT CLEARANCE

The Level I Fingerprint Clearance Card is a requirement of the Nursing Program application process and must remain valid for the duration of all nursing courses. Federal law and agency accreditation rules require a DPS Fingerprint Clearance Card for nursing students. Please visit <https://www.azdps.gov/services/public/fingerprint> to determine how to obtain or renew an Arizona DPS Level I Fingerprint Clearance Card.

Fingerprint processing services are available through Thales: Gemalto Cogent (a third-party vendor contracted with AZDPS). Students may access the online application through the website above and may need to contact the fingerprinting location by phone to process their fingerprint application for AZDPS.

Applicants should check for an available fingerprinting location site and verify hours of operation prior to registration. Online registration is required on the DPS website before scheduling and processing payment for the fingerprint location. Applicants must bring their registration number along with a government-issued photo ID and a secondary form of identification (as needed) to the location site. Processing may take 1-4 weeks from the date Arizona DPS receives the completed application packet. For those individuals who do have a criminal record, the process may take 6 -13 weeks.

If there is a positive criminal history, the Level I Fingerprint Clearance may be denied which will result in removal from the Nursing Program.

A copy of the front and back of the student's current Arizona Level I Fingerprint Clearance Card is required as part of the initial application submission for the Nursing Program and is kept as part of the student file. A full copy of the card is included in Castle Branch as a compliance document. The student is responsible for completing this Castle Branch requirement upon conditional acceptance to the program, and for submitting renewal documentation prior to the card expiration date as needed.

A student whose conduct results in the loss of fingerprint clearance will be dropped from the Nursing Program and will not be allowed to progress until a Level I Fingerprint Clearance Card is obtained. If the time-period for clearance progresses past one year of removal from the Nursing Program, the student will need to re-apply to the Nursing Program and repeat any courses already taken.

## BACKGROUND CHECK

All students are required to obtain a background check. Information regarding how to obtain the background check will be provided to the student upon provisional acceptance to the program. The cost of this background check is at the student's expense. Due to clinical agency contracts, any negative results will be reviewed to determine admission or continuation in the program, on a case-by-case basis by the Nursing Department and the Nursing Program Director.

The Arizona State Board of Nursing will deny licensure if the applicant has one or more felony convictions that have not previously been disclosed to the Board and has not received an absolute discharge from the sentences for all felony convictions three or more years prior to the date of filing an application. If this information applies to you, your application will not be processed, and denial of your application will be instituted by the Board of Nursing.

The board will need to do an investigation at the time of application for licensure. After a careful review of the applicants' past conduct and evidence of rehabilitation, a determination is made. It is possible to receive a conditional license that may require ongoing monitoring or probation for a period of time. It is also possible to receive an unconditional license. Lastly, applicants with a felony past may not be eligible for the state compact licensure because each state has different legal requirements.

**Felony Bar:** If a person has been convicted of a felony, the person is not eligible to apply for licensure or certification with the AZBN until 3 years after the "absolute discharge" of the sentence. "Absolute discharge from the sentence" means completion of any sentence, including imprisonment, probation, parole, community supervision or any form of court supervision (A.R.S 32-1601) . This also includes payment of all restitution, fines, fees, etc. If the conviction is reduced to a misdemeanor, or set aside, dismissed, etc., the 3-year bar may no longer be applicable, but the Board may still consider the conduct involved, and the person's application will be considered on a "case by case" basis.

For all questions about eligibility for licensure, contact the Arizona State Board of Nursing <http://www.azbn.gov> or 602-771-7800.

## DRUG TESTING

Random drug testing is a standard procedure throughout the Nursing Program. The first drug test will be at the student's expense. Any subsequent drug testing will be done at the program's expense. When a student is informed that they are a subject of random drug testing, they will be provided an appropriate form and a list of local laboratories that they can utilize. The drug testing must be completed by the end of that business day.



## VANEEP SCHOLARSHIPS

VANEEP scholarship recipients who need notification of acceptance by a certain date, should apply to the Nursing Program one application cycle earlier than normal. A VANEEP deferral form should be included with the Nursing application as notification of early application submission due to VANEEP scholarship requirements. A deferral form can be obtained from Advising.

Applicants are advised to thoroughly review the current Nursing Program Applicant Information Guide for application requirements and forms. Nursing Program Resources can be accessed at [www.yc.edu/nursing](http://www.yc.edu/nursing)

## ADMISSION TO YAVAPAI COLLEGE AND THE NURSING PROGRAM

***Important: Students must apply to and be admitted to Yavapai College prior to applying to the Nursing program.*** Please go to [www.yc.edu](http://www.yc.edu) and click on **Admissions > Getting Started** at the top-left of the page to learn about the college admission procedure.

Applicants to the nursing program are responsible for obtaining the most recent application information guide. Current requirements and procedures for application may be obtained online at the Nursing website: [www.yc.edu/nursing](http://www.yc.edu/nursing). Please note that applicants should be at least 18 years of age by the time of program start.

- A. Applicants are responsible for notifying Yavapai College of changes in address, email, and telephone numbers (contact information updates for Yavapai College are completed by logging into [www.yc.edu](http://www.yc.edu) and accessing the **myYCPortal** and updating contact information under the **My Account** icon).
- B. Students denied acceptance should meet with a Yavapai College advisor to discuss their educational plans and reapplication opportunities.

Enrollment is limited, and the selective admission process is highly competitive. Students must meet the minimum admission requirements of the program and those required for admission to Yavapai College. Admission to the program is based on a point value system. Points are calculated using a formula related to the ATI TEAS pre-entrance exam, residency, and other criteria as listed on the **Yavapai College Nursing Program Selection Criteria** form. Achieving a high level of success in the pre-entry and co-requisite courses will improve a student's chance for admission to the program. All pre-entry and related courses **must** be completed, official transcripts evaluated by the registrar, and unofficial transcripts submitted with the application **prior** to receiving credit for points toward acceptance into the Nursing Program.



## NURSING PROGRAM TESTING INFORMATION

Applicants seeking admission to the Nursing Program must complete pre-admission testing through Yavapai College Testing Services and submit the test results with their application. Test results from other schools are NOT acceptable.

Test results are good for two consecutive application cycles (current and last application cycle). Applicants who take the pre-admission test within the current and/or last consecutive application cycle, may submit the report with the highest cumulative score. It is highly recommended that applicants give themselves at least six (6) weeks to prepare for the test.

Registration for Nursing Program pre-admission testing is completed through the Yavapai College [Testing Services](#) website (Prescott 928-776-2220 or Verde 928-634-6561). The payment receipt or order confirmation number is needed to schedule a testing date for the ATI TEAS test or the NLN NACE FON v1.2. Both the payment and appointment must be completed within the semi-annual registration period listed on the Testing Services website.

### **AAS Nursing Applicants: ATI TEAS PRE-ADMISSION TESTING**

The ATI TEAS cumulative report results are to include student name, testing location, the cumulative score and scores from each of the following categories: Reading, English and Language usage, Math and Science. A minimum cumulative score of 58.7% is required for application submission. *Failure to provide complete score data will result in an incomplete application.*

### **LPN – RN Advance Placement Applicants: NLN NACE FON v1.2**

LPN-RN AP applicants must complete the NLN Accelerated Challenge Exam Foundations of Nursing (NACE-FON v1.2). This exam measures the PN/VN applicant's foundational nursing knowledge, skills, and abilities. Payment for the NACE-FON v1.2 exam can be made directly to NLN.

The NLN NACE-FON v1.2 cumulative report results must include the student's name, testing site (participant group), the cumulative score, and scores from the following categories: Analysis, Assessment, Evaluation, Implementation, and Planning. A minimum cumulative score of 68% is required for application submission.

## STEPS TO APPLY FOR ADMISSION:

Nursing Program applications will be accepted electronically throughout the application cycle. Please note: Only applications submitted through Dynamic Forms will be accepted. Applications must be submitted by 11:59 pm on the final day of the application cycle. You will receive an automated email confirmation that your application has been submitted successfully. All required documentation must be submitted with the application by the due date deadline. There are no exceptions. Only complete applications will be reviewed and scored for admission.

### Applications for admissions must include the following:

- 1) Nursing Program Application for Admission dynamic form – is available on the Yavapai College website at [www.yc.edu/nursing](http://www.yc.edu/nursing). All document uploads must be submitted at this time otherwise the application will be considered incomplete.
- 2) Nursing Information Session attendance certificate- expires 12 months from workshop date.
- 3) Copy of your pre-admission test results. Results must be current (current and last application cycle) to be valid.
  - a) **AAS Nursing applicants** will need to submit the ATI TEAS cumulative report with a score of 58.7% or higher.
  - b) **LPN – RN Advance Placement applicants** will need to submit the NLN NACE FON v1.2 report with a score of 68% or higher.
- 4) Completed Advisor Pre-Entry Check Sheet Form for the Nursing Program signed and dated by Advisor and Applicant. You will receive a check sheet at your appointment with your advisor. The overall GPA requirement is 2.0 or higher to apply to the Nursing Program. To receive credit for classes taken at other colleges, courses must be evaluated to appear on your YC transcript. Please call 928-776-2106 (Prescott) or 928-634-6510 (Verde) to reach the Advising Department with questions or concerns.
- 5) Transcripts:
  - a) Submit one unofficial Yavapai College transcript with Nursing Program Application. Unofficial transcripts can be printed from the student's myYC Portal.
  - b) If applicable, submit one unofficial transcript from every college attended. To obtain credit on the **Yavapai College Nursing Program Selection Criteria** point system for pre-requisite completion, please provide all unofficial transcripts with your application.
  - c) Official college transcripts of pre-entry and General Education courses must be received and evaluated in the Yavapai Registrar's office. Official transcripts must be unopened and possess the official seal of the college registrar. **Official transcripts are mailed directly to the Yavapai College Registrar at the time of admission.** Hand-carried transcripts are not official transcripts and will not be accepted.

- 6) Copy of current Arizona CNA certificate or LNA license, OR proof of successful completion of AHS 114 (or equivalent course) within the last 3 years of the application deadline date.
  - a) **NOTE: LPN – RN Advance Placement applicants** need to submit the Nursys Quick Confirm License Verification Report to provide proof of an unencumbered LPN license.
- 7) Printout of your current semester residency information from your myYC Portal: **General Student Record** page. For assistance, call 928-717-7777. Include a copy of your Arizona Driver's License. If the issue date on your license is less than a year old, and you want points for Yavapai County Residency, also attach a copy of expired Arizona Driver's License **or** utility bills in your name, **or** other documentation as appropriate to **support one year's county residency** at time of application submission.
- 8) Arizona Level I Fingerprint Clearance Card. A copy of the front side and of the back side of the Level I Fingerprint Clearance Card are required as part of the application.
- 9) For VANEEP scholarship recipients only: Deferral form from advising.
- 10) **For LPN – RN Advance Placement applicants:**
  - a) Certificate of completion of a pharmacology refresher course. (The course must be completed in the previous 12 months). Average pharmacology refresher courses range from 24-48 hours to complete and can cost between \$260 – \$700. The nursing program suggests Lecturio.com for a reasonable refresher course. This course will require a premium subscription from \$19.99 – \$29.99 per month and 34 hours to complete. **Pharmacology Refresher Suggestion:** <https://www.lecturio.com/nursing/topics/pharmacology/>
  - b) Provide proof of satisfactory completion of an Intravenous Therapy Certification or provide transcripts of successful completion of the Yavapai College NSG 153 Development of Nursing Practice course or its equivalent. There is no recency requirement for the IV certification.
  - c) Complete a dosage calculation exam with a score of 95% or higher to apply for advanced placement. If an applicant scores less than 95%, a second attempt is permitted. Follow-up testing is set up through the Testing Center. Study Guides are available from the nursing website.
  - d) Skills testing will need to be completed and are scheduled through the nursing department once admission is secured. Skills will include Head to Toe Assessment, Medication Administration, IV start, and Sterile Procedure (Foley catheter insertion).

## YAVAPAI COLLEGE NURSING PROGRAM SELECTION CRITERIA

AAS Nursing and LPN – RN applicants are ranked using the Yavapai College Nursing Program Selection Criteria based on a 1000-point system, utilizing the criteria listed below. Students will be required to provide proof of residency (tuition residency is defined by the Arizona State Legislature and is outlined in the Yavapai College catalog). Proof of course work and registration history at Yavapai College will be established by the records on file in the Registrar’s office. Final selection and placement will be determined by the Program Admissions Committee.

For LPN – RN Advanced Placement applicants, acceptance is granted after all criteria are met and space permitting.

**An application must be complete for the applicant to be considered for final selection and placement.**

AAS Nursing Program Selection Criteria			
Category	Ranking Criteria	Criteria Points Values	Possible Points
1	Overall GPA – 2.0 or higher to apply	GPA of pre and co-req. credits completed 2.0 or greater = _____ 50 Example: 2.0 x 50 = 100 points	200
2	ATI TEAS Pre-Entrance Cumulative Score 58.7% minimum is required for application submission	84.8-100% = 500 points 78.0-84.7% = 450 points 72.8-77.9% = 400 points 65.4-72.7% = 350 points 58.7-65.3% = 300 points  Example: Cumulative Score of 60% = 300 points	500
3	Total General Education Credits Completed	28 pre and co-req credits = 100 points 3.5 points per credit hour completed- 2 additional points for all 28 credits complete at time of application	100
4	*Residency	Yavapai County = 100 points State of Arizona = 50 points *Min. 1 yr. at time of application submission	100
5	Current Yavapai College Student	Completed pre-program entry and program general education credits at Yavapai College 12 or more credits = 100 points 9-11 credits = 80 points 6-8 credits = 60 points 3-5 credits = 40 points	100

LPN – RN Advance Placement Nursing Program Selection Criteria			
Category	Ranking Criteria	Criteria Points Values	Possible Points
1	Overall GPA – 2.0 or higher to apply	GPA of pre and co-req. credits completed 2.0 or greater = _____ 50 Example: 2.0 x 50 = 100 points	200
2	NLN Accelerated Challenge Exam Foundations of Nursing (NACE-FON v1.2)	A minimum score of 69% is required for application submission. ≥ 68% = 400 points < 68% = 0 points	400
3	Score on Dosage Calculation Competency	Score > or = 95% on first attempt = 100 pts Score > or = 95% on second attempt = 50 pts Score > or = 95% on third attempt – 25 pts	100
3	Total General Education Credits Completed	28 pre and co-req credits = 100 points 3.5 points per credit hour completed – 2 additional points for all 28 credits completed at time of application	100
4	*Residency	Yavapai County = 100 points State of Arizona = 50 points *Min. 1 yr. at time of application submission	100
5	Current Yavapai College Student	Completed pre-program entry and program general education credits at Yavapai College 12 or more credits = 100 points 9-11 credits = 80 points 6-8 credits = 60 points 3-5 credits = 40 points	100

## SELECTION CRITERIA RANKING AND CAMPUS PLACEMENT

**Applications that meet the minimum scores for admittance into the program will be evaluated and placed based on first campus location preference. All qualified applicants not offered a seat to their preferred campus through the ranking process will be considered if seats are still available at the other campus. The program does not maintain a waitlist.**

**Applicants selecting Prescott Campus placement:** The 40 highest-ranked applicants will be offered Prescott Campus seats based on space availability. When the program has enough interest for an evening cohort, there will be 24 seats available for the day cohort and 16 seats available for the evening cohort. The next 7 applicants on the ranking spreadsheet will be offered alternate status.

**Applicants selecting Verde Campus preference:** The 22 highest-ranked applicants will be offered Verde Campus seats. The next 4 applicants will be offered alternate status.

**LPN-RN Advanced Placement:** The program can accept up to 5 applicants into the program pending space availability.

When several applicants have the same ranking score, the following criteria will determine tie breakers:

1. Overall GPA (Category 1)
2. ATI TEAS Cumulative Score (Category 2) or NLN NACE FON v1.2
3. Number of times the following Pre-requisite courses were taken: BIO 201, MAT 142 (or higher) and ENG 101

As specified above, if there are seats available for a particular campus cohort (first location choice) then all qualified applicants will be considered to fill the available program seats.

All qualified applicants will be notified of ***conditional acceptance*** by email after final determinations have been made.

*“For optional concurrent enrollment program (CEP) applicants, a separate application will need to be sent by the applicant to the partnering university. Notification of acceptance into a CEP is sent by the university to which you are applying. Please check with your advisor for more details on this process.”*

## NOTIFICATION OF CONDITIONAL ACCEPTANCE

Letters of Acceptance will be sent to the student scholar email account within four weeks of the application deadline. *If an applicant does **not** have a scholar email account, the letter will be sent by postal mail to the mailing address provided by the applicant on the Application for Admission. **Please refrain from contacting the Nursing Department if you have not received a letter within 30 days of the deadline date.** It is your responsibility to make sure that your scholar email account and mailing address are current, and up to date with the department at all times. You can do this by changing contact information in your myYC portal account so that it may be verified.*

If you are not accepted to the nursing program, you will receive a letter stating so. Alternates are also identified at this time and notified. Initial notification is **not** made over the phone or in person. If a letter has not been received after 30 days of the application deadline, please contact the Nursing Department at [nursingapplications@yc.edu](mailto:nursingapplications@yc.edu)

## ADDITIONAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AFTER CONDITIONAL ACCEPTANCE

1. Drug testing, Criminal Background Check, and Immunization Tracker (Two separate packages through Castle Branch): a fee of \$143.50 is payable to Castle Branch after a conditional acceptance letter is received. An additional fee may be required if you have had multiple addresses in past years. Payment for Castle Branch accounts must be completed in a timely manner to allow adequate time for background check processing and program compliance.
2. The completed **Health Care Provider Signature Form** submitted to Castle Branch as part of the Immunization Tracker documentation.
3. Yavapai College Picture ID – due the first day of classes - email [onecard@yc.edu](mailto:onecard@yc.edu) to obtain a physical ID card. Refer to: <https://www.yc.edu/v6/enrollment-services/onecard.html> for more information.
4. Return of three release forms: Confidentiality Agreement, Clinical Agencies Release Form, and Voluntary Assumption of Risk and Release of Liability.
5. Return of Health Care Provider Signature Form



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